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5306 Easton Drive
North Springfield, VA, 22151
~~9 July~~ 1977
3 Aug.

Dear Mrs. Clark:

Your name has been provided as a contact to use the records of Vigo County. I need assistance on my mother's family. Please excuse the pen but my typewriter is electric & we are having alternate thunderstorms & sunshine today & have already lost electricity once this am.

At the moment, I'm seeking the marriage record of my mother's parents (see inclosed). If you could go ahead & find it & send me a certified copy, I would gladly reimburse you. Also, please provide me your rates for research.

\$5.00 per hour (estimate at least 3-4 hrs to search for family in marriage, city directories, other indexed sources.)
I will have additional research requirements on her family

Who, for most part, lived in Terre Haute - The BIEGLERS, RUBSCH, SCHWEBEL, SPATY, SCHEURMAN[?] - HARSCH came from Poland, CLAY County, IN. John RUBSCH, father of Susanna, was born Aug 1845, Louisville, Ky. BIEGLER (Geo. L.) (fa. of Geo. W.) came from Alsace-Lorraine but don't know when.

Incidentally, my mother is Florence Marguerite BIEGLER, b: 15 SEP 1898, Terre Haute. Her Dad entered the Regular Army about 1902/03 & ~~the~~ he left with his wife & chn (Rbt. John, b: Apr(?) 1896(?)) not to return to T.H.

Sincerely yours

Harland C. Black, Jr. ("Gary")

Mrs. Robert I. Clark
Professional Genealogist
2032 North 8th St.
Terre Haute, IN 47804

Mr. Garland C. Black, Jr.
5306 Easton Drive
North Springfield, VA 22151

Dear Sir:

The \$20.00 fee was used in the following research (see enclosed).

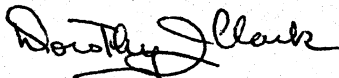
The indexes of the five Vigo county histories (I did the indexing) do not contain any references to the family names.

However, my personal index files for my 21 years of newspaper historical columns had two references; one is the Xerox copy of the T.H. Rifles; the other is a reference to two magazines published in T.H., the LOCOMOTIVE FIREMAN and the MILITARY MIRROR, by George W. Biegler and O. Hippelhauser in 1894. V. 57 p. 214

To learn more about these family lines, may I suggest searching the 1860 census, then the 1870, 1880, etc. which will give places of birth, ages, relationship, etc.?

If I can be of further help, please let me hear from you.

Very truly yours,



Dorothy J. Clark (Mrs. Robert I.)

Enclosures: 6 pages

TRIBUNE-STAR

Editorials

Old Terre Haute Rifles Started National Guard

By DOROTHY J. CLARK

Back in the year 1889 a group of young men met for the purpose of being mustered into the Indiana Legion (what we know now as the Indiana National Guard). Calling themselves the Terre Haute Rifles, 23 were sworn into the state's service by Lt. Col. Ben C. Wright of the 2nd Regiment, Infantry, Indiana Legion.

At this first meeting they elected the following officers: J. W. Ebel, captain; J. T. Triche, 1st Lt.; L. D. Sparks, 2nd Lt.; and E. M. Cornell, 1st Sgt.

This took place on March 20, 1889, and two days later the group met in the basement of the Vigo County Court House. They selected O. O. Carr as company clerk. The committee to look for an armory was composed of

B. F. Freers, W. G. Boyd, G. W. Beigler, C. O. Ebel, H. G. Lee, F. S. Murphy and R. I. Fulton.

A week later when the Terre Haute Rifles met at the court house, the committee reported that the company could get rooms in the Marble Block for \$100 annually providing a lease for three years was made and that the



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men would do their own repairing. The Marble Block was located 620 to 630 Main St.

This was not the first military organization to form in Terre Haute. The Dick Thompson Zouaves, organized in 1883, had an armory at 22½ S. 3rd St. The Hager Veterans, organized in 1879, met at the Armory Savings Bank block. The McKeen Rifles, organized in 1884, had their armory at the northwest corner of 6th and Main St. The Terre Haute Light Artillery, several of whose members lived in West Terre Haute, located their armory at 228½ Main St.

On May 6, 1889, the Terre Haute Rifles were informed that their company had been assigned as Company B, 1st Regt. Infantry, of the Indiana

Legion. Measurements were taken for new uniforms.

Dues and Fines Charged

The old minute book shows that several new members were taken in during the summonths. The monthly dues amounted to ten cents, and fifty cents was charged for not attending drills.

Other activities sponsored by the group were signal practice, target shooting and debates. They were invited to march in patriotic parades on Decoration Day, Fourth of July, Lincoln's Birthday, etc.

By 1892 the group became more socially minded. They gave picnics, boating excursions, and held their first ball on Valentines Day, 1893, under the leadership of Prof. Duenweg.

In April, 1894, Capt. Geo. W. Beigler appointed a committee to make arrangements for opening the new armory called "Armory Hall" at 1716 Wabash Ave., where the Bible Center is presently located.

In my files I have a copy of the printed program for the dedicatory exercises on June, 1894. Serving on the Arrangements Committee were: Capt. Biegler, Lieut. D. C. Slocum, Lieut. J. E. Thomas, Sgt. O. Hippleheuser, Sgt. Charles Slaughter, Sgt. Charles Barklow, Sgt. Frank Eichelberger and Sgt. Ben Wimer.

On the Reception Committee were: Col. L. B. Martin, Col. W. E. McLean, Col. Daniel Fasig, Col. J. W. Ebel, Major T. C. Stunkard, Major A. B. Mewhinney, Capt. Biegler, Sgt. W. S. Davis and Sgt. W. H. Bradbury.

National Guard Formed

On the Floor Committee were: Lt. D. C. Slocum, Sgt. Charles Barklow, Sgt. Charles Slaughter, Corporal William Murphy and Charles Buckingham.

After the Terre Haute Street Railway Bank disbanded, the group hired the Cahill Orchestra to furnish the dance music at least until April, 1896. Also by this date the Indiana Legion was called the Indiana National Guard.

According to the minutes book the men elected to celebrate the eight anniversary of Company B with a stag party. The men drilled on Monday and Thursday nights but attendance was not good according to the record, and dues were difficult to collect.

On April 26, 1898, Company B responded to the call of President McKinley, and left for Camp Mount, Indianapolis, that day. The command

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the United States on May 12, was mustered into service of and 84 strong they moved to Camp Alger, Va., on May 22. Here they were attached to the 1st Brigade, 2nd Division of the Second Army Corps. The regiment was known as the 159th Indiana Volunteer Infantry.

This local company saw no active service and was mustered out on the 23rd of November, 1898. They participated in the practice march from Camp Alger to Thoroughfare, Va., which was the longest march of any body of troops during the war, and stood some very severe hardships for the condition of the men.

In June the command had received thirty recruits bringing the total number of men to 118. Two men were lost by death. They were Pvts. Charles E. Caton and Sherman Stultz.

According to the minutes book the military company reorganized Feb. 27, 1899, and were again mustered into state service. George W. Biegler was unanimously elected captain.

During this year they held monthly meetings and used the rifle range owned by the Kraeg-Verin Society located about five miles over the river, using a hired hack as transportation.

The last record in this book was Jan. 7, 1901.

OFFICE OF THE
CLERK OF THE VIGO CIRCUIT COURT
TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA

This office is neither staffed nor has the time to answer
genealogical queries.

If you cannot visit this office and use the records in
person we suggest you contact

Mrs. Robert I. Clark
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Terre Haute, Indiana 47804

Leland Larison-asm
Clerk of the Vigo Circuit Court

5306 Easton Drive

North Springfield, Virginia, 22151
23 May 1977

County Clerk
Vigo County
Terre Haute, IN, 47801

Dear Sir:

I am seeking the marriage record of my grand^dparents:

George Wesley BIEGLER, born: 31 May 1868, Terre Haute

Susanna RUBSCH, born, 2 March 1870, Terre Haute

Probably in the year 1892, but not later than early 1896.

If you find a record of their marriage, please send me the identifying information (book, volume, page, etc.) and the cost for a certified copy.

If you do not have time to search, please send me names and addresses of local professional researchers.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours

Garland C. Black, JR.

Garland C. Black Jr.

(SASE inclosed *ABF*)

Date 9 July 1977
Name of Compiler G C Black Jr
Address 5306 East Drive
City North Springfield State Va 22151
Person No. 1 on this chart is the same person as
No. 3 on chart No. 1

b. Date of Birth
p.b. Place of Birth
m. Date of Marriage
d. Date of Death
p.d. Place of Death

Pedigree Chart No.

2 George Wesley BIEGLER

(Father of No. 1)
b. 31 MAY 1868
p.b. Terre Haute, Vigo, IN
m.
d. 2 Apr 1929
p.d. San Francisco, CA

1 Florence Marguerite BIEGLER

b. 15 SEP 1898
p.b. Terre Haute, Vigo, IN
m. 7 AUG 1919, Columbus, Lucas Co, NM
d.
p.d.

3 Susanna RUBSCH

(Mother of No. 1)

b.
p.b.
d.
p.d.

Garland Cuzarte BLACK

(Husband or Wife of No. 1)

b. 14 NOV 1894
p.b. Dayton OH
p.d. San Antonio, TX
d. 23 JAN 1951

4 George L. BIEGLER

(Father of No. 2)

b. 1824
p.b. (Alsace-Lorraine)? Germany
m.
d.
p.d.

5 Rosina HARSCH

(Mother of No. 2)

b.
p.b.
d.
p.d.

6 John RUBSCH

(Father of No. 3)

b. 22 AUG 1845
p.b. Louisville, Jefferson, Ky
m.
d. 26 AUG 1937
p.d. Whittier, Los Angeles, CA

7 Anna Marie SCHWEBEL

(Mother of No. 3)

b. 5 FEB 1844 GERMANY
p.b.
d. 31 JUL 1885
p.d. Terre Haute, Vigo, IN

m/2 Christine SPLATY
IN Terre Haute?

8	(Father of No. 4)	16	(Father of No. 8)
b.			Continued on chart
p.b.		17	(Mother of No. 8)
m.			Continued on chart
d.		18	(Father of No. 9)
p.d.			Continued on chart
9	(Mother of No. 4)	19	(Mother of No. 9)
b.			Continued on chart
p.b.		20	(Father of No. 10)
d.			Continued on chart
p.d.		21	(Mother of No. 10)
10	(Father of No. 5)		Continued on chart
b.		22	(Father of No. 11)
p.b.			Continued on chart
m.	(i Poland, CLAY Co, IN)	23	(Mother of No. 11)
d.			Continued on chart
p.d.	HANNAH	24	(Father of No. 12)
11	(Mother of No. 5)		Continued on chart
b.		25	(Mother of No. 12)
p.b.			Continued on chart
d.		26	(Father of No. 13)
p.d.			Continued on chart
12	(Father of No. 6)	27	(Mother of No. 13)
b.			Continued on chart
p.b.		28	(Father of No. 14)
m.			Continued on chart
d.		29	(Mother of No. 14)
p.d.			Continued on chart
13	(Mother of No. 6)	30	(Father of No. 15)
b.			Continued on chart
p.b.		31	(Mother of No. 15)
d.			Continued on chart
p.d.			
14	(Father of No. 7)		
b.			
p.b.			
m.			
d.			
p.d.			
15	(Mother of No. 7)		
b.			
p.b.			
d.			
p.d.			

BIEGLER

The Terre Haute City Directories were run from 1904 back to 1864

with the following results:

1904 - Miss Martha Biegler

1903 - none

1901/2 - George W. Biegler, president TERRE HAUTE JOURNAL, res. 121

S. 15th St., TH JOURNAL was German newspaper, ~~XXX~~ 20-22 S. 5th
Susan Harsch, 510 N. 3rd St.

Schwebel, Amelia (widow Jno.), 34 N. 11th

Miss Cora (book binder)

both at 1215 S. 8th, employed at

Leon V. (compositor) Moore-Langen Prntg & Publishing

Splaty, Miss Fannie E. (teacher), 330 N. 4th

Geo. W. (bookkpr) same address

1901 - Biegler, Geo. W., 213 S. 15th

Susan (his wife)

Harsh, Susan, 510 N. 3rd

Schwebel, Cora

Amelia (Emilie) wid. Jno

Jacob W. (machinist), 624 N. 11th

Leon V. (comp.), 1315 S. 8th

Mary, wife Jacob, 624 N. 11th

Splaty, Fannie E.

Geo. W.

1900 - Biegler, Geo. W.

Miss Martha, 521 N. 7th

Harsh, Susan

Schwebel, Coza

Leon, wife Edyth M.

Jacob

Mrs. John, widow

1898 - Biegler, Geo. W., Capt. Co. B, 159th Regt. Ind. Volunteers

Martha, 527 N. 14th

Mary, ditto

Harsh, Susan, 506 N. 3rd

Schwebel, Jacob W., 520 N. 11th

John, 36 N. 11th

Leon V., ditto

1889 - Biegler, Geo.L., Geo.W., Martha A., Mary E., Rose, all 527 N.14
 Harsh, Susan, 506 N.3
 Schwebel, Cora, Jacob W., Theresa, all 36 N.11
 Splaty, Geo., 322 N.4

1888 - Biegler, Geo.L, Geo.W., Martha A., Mary, all 527 N.14
 Harsh, Susan, 506 N.3
 Schwebel, Jacob, Jacob W., John, Theresa, all 36 N.11 except
 first Jacob, 523 N.5

1887 - Biegler, Geo.L., Geo.W., Mary, Mattie, 527 N.14
 Harsh, Susan, dressmaker, 506 N.3
 Schwebel, Jacob, 523 N.5, harness maker for John Rubsch
 Jacob W., 36 N.11, also John and Theresa
 Splady, Geo.W., 322 N.4 (note diff.spelling)

1885 - Geo.W.Biegler, not listed

1882 - Geo.Biegler, 527 N.4
 Susan Harsh, not listed
 Schwebel, Jacob and John

1880/1 - no Bieglers
 Schwebel still

1879 - same

1878/9 - Biegler, Geo.L. and William
 Schwebel, Jake and John

1877 - Biegler, Geo.L.
 Schwebel, John

1876 - Geo. L.Biegler
 John Schwebel

1874 - Geo.L.
 Jno.Schwebel

1874/5 - No Biegler
 John Schwebel

1872/3 - Geo.Biegler
 John Schwebel

1871/2 - Geo.Biegler
 Jhnn Schwebel

1868 - no Biegler
 John Schwebel

1864 - no Biegler
 no Schwebel

- 1896/7 - Biegler, Geo. W. (Biegler & Kolsem, publishers of THE JOURNAL)
Harsh, Susan, 506 N.3rd
Schwebel, Cora, 36 N.11th
Jacob W., 520 N.11th
John, 36 N.11th
Leon, ditto
William, 1001 ~~XXXXXX~~ Gilbert
Splaty, Fannie E., 330 N.4th
Geo.W., ditto
- 1894 - Biegler, Geo. L., gardener, 527 N.14
Geo.W., reporter, T.H. GAZETTE, same address
Martha A. ditto
Rosa E. (Miss) ditto
Harsh, Susan, 506 N.3rd
Schwebel, Cora, 36 N.11
Jacob W., 210 N.18
John, 36 N.11
Joseph, 1658 Liberty
Leon, 36 N.11
Splaty, Annie E., 330 N.4
Geo.W., ditto
- 1892 - Biegler, Geo. L., 527 N.14
Geo.W., ditto
Mattie A., ditto
Rose E., ditto
Harsh, Susan, 506 N.3
Schwebel, Cora E., 36 N.11
Jacob W., ditto
John, ditto
Jos., 215 N.18
Splaty, Geo.W., 330 N.14
- 1890/1 - Biegler, Geo. L., all at 527 N.14; Geo.W., Mattie, Rose
Harsh, Susan, 506 N.3
Schwebel, Cora, Jacob W., John, Theresa B., all 36 N.11
Splaty, Geo.W. (employed Clark, Havens, Geddes Dept. Store) lived
322 N.4

Court House marriage records -

George Biegler to Rosina Hasch 8-10-1893 in index 4-15

marriage license record should be in Book No.2, but unable to locate.

Geo.W.Biegler(sic) to Susana(sic) Rubsch

license issued Aug. 29, 1893 Book 12, page 418

Hugh D. Roquet, county clerk

On 31 Aug. report of marriage filed
signed by M. Georg (thus) pastor Methodist church
marriage took place Aug. 29